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XXII. FOLLOW-UP TO THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1. The Commission considered agenda item 22 at its 62nd meeting, on 14 April, and at its 67th meeting, on 16 April 1997. 1/
2. For the documents issued under agenda item 22, see annex .. to the present report. For a list of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Commission, see annex .. to the present report.
3. In the general debate on agenda item 22, statements 2/ were made by the following members of the Commission: Austria (62nd), China (62nd), El Salvador (62nd), Ukraine (62nd).
4. Statements were also made by the observers for Cyprus (62nd), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (62nd), Malta (62nd), Senegal (62nd). A statement was also made by the observer for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (62nd).
5. The Commission also heard statements by the following non-governmental organizations: Commission for the Defense of Human Rights in Central America (62nd), Federación de Asociaciones de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos (62nd), Indian Council of Education (62nd).
6. At its 67th meeting, on 16 April 1997, the Commission took up consideration of draft resolutions submitted under item 22.
Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
7. The representative of Ecuador introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/1997/L.100 sponsored by Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Cape Verde, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Peru, Slovenia and Uruguay. Malta, Paraguay and Venezuela subsequently joined the sponsors.
8. The draft resolution was orally revised by the representative of Ecuador as follows:
 - (a) At the end of operative paragraph 1, "E/CN.4/1997/98 and Add.1" was added;
 - (b) In operative paragraph 3, after "enhancing", the words "the Office" were deleted;
 - (c) In operative paragraph 4, after "support", the words "the Office of" were deleted. In the same paragraph, before "constitute", the words "these entities" were replaced by "they".
9. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1997/68.

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10. The representative of Austria introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/1997/L.107 sponsored by Argentina, Austria, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mongolia, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine and Uruguay. Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bulgaria, Canada, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Greece, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, Mozambique, New Zealand, Paraguay, Poland, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, the United States of America, Venezuela and Zambia subsequently joined the sponsors.
 11. The draft resolution was orally revised by the representative of Austria by deleting, in operative paragraph 6, the words "and the Commission on Human Rights".
 12. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1997/69.
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